

Remarks

Claims 1-13 and 15-39 are currently pending in the Application, Claims 8, 17 and 29 were withdrawn without prejudice from consideration by the Examiner and withdrawn Claims 35-38 are herein canceled without prejudice.

Allowable Claims

Applicants acknowledge with gratitude the Examiner's indication of allowability as to Claims 1-13, 15-34 and 39.

Summary of claim amendments

This response amends cancels withdrawn Claims 35-38 without prejudice, expressly reserving the right to present these or any other rejected claims or claims directed to other disclosed subject matter in a future divisional or continuation application

Rejoinder

As indicated by the Examiner, the withdrawn non-elected Claims 8, 17 and 29 are also allowed because they depend from allowed elected Claims 1, 13 and 23.

In view of the canceled Claims 35-38, Applicants respectfully request that the application be allowed.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

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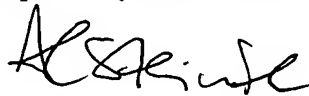


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